Which? Gold or Silver pamphlet S2139

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Summary Information

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Title Which? Gold or Silver pamphlet

Date 1896

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Language English

Text [Folder] S2139

Preferred Citation

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Historical Note

Due to an economic depression begun in 1893, the central issue during the 1896 United States presidential election was whether to base the country's money supply on the gold standard or on free silver. The Republican candidate, William McKinley, supported the gold standard, while the Democrats' candidate, William Jennings Bryan, supported the use of both gold and silver. McKinley defeated Bryan both in the popular vote and the electoral college to become the 25th president of the United States.

Source:

"United States presidential election of 1896." *Encyclopaedia Britannica*. August 19, 2014. Accessed January 18, 2017. https://www.britannica.com/event/United-States-presidential-election-of-1896.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains the pamphlet, *Which? Gold or Silver*. Copyrighted by C. M. Daniels Publishing Co. in 1896, the pamphlet is "a compilation by a workingman" regarding the question of whether the United States should base its money on the gold standard of on free silver coinage and was published and distributed (for 10 cents a copy, plus 2 cents in stamps) prior to the 1896 presidential election.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Controlled Access Headings

Genre(s)

Pamphlets

Geographic Name(s)

• United States--Politics and government--19th century

Subject(s)

Bimetallism

- Elections--United States
- Gold standard
- Money
- Presidential elections
- Silver question--United States
- United States--Economic conditions